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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN BERLIN-ISTANBUL
TURKISH WORKER CHARTER SERVICE

1. PAN AM RESUMED ITS BERLIN-ISTANBUL CHARTER FLIGHTS ON MAY 10, AND HAS BEEN OPERATING ABOUT TWO FLIGHTS A WEEK. ACCORDING TO PAN AM BERLIN, THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT HAS NOW INFORMED THE COMPANY THAT IT WILL REFUSE TO ACT ON BERLIN-ISTANBUL CHARTER APPLICATIONS BEYOND JUNE UNLESS PAN AM FIRST OBTAINS WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THY FOR EACH FLIGHT. PAN AM HAS REFUSED TO AGREE TO THIS PROCEDURE.

2. LAST WEEK THY CABLED PAN AM AND THE BRITISH OPERATORS DANAIR AND LAKER, INVITING THEM TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ISTANBUL JUNE 19 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONCLUDING A NEW PROTOCOL "COVERING CHARTER FLIGHT OPERATIONS TEGEL-
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ISTANBUL-TEGEL." ASSUMING THAT THEY WOULD BE FACED

WITH PROPOSALS TO LIMIT FURTHER OPERATIONS OR TO REOPEN THE DORMANT QUESTION OF ROYALTY PAYMENTS, PAN AM HAS DECIDED NOT TO ATTEND THE MEETING. WE UNDERSTAND THAT DANAIR AND LAKER ARE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE, AND THAT AERO AMERICA, ALTHOUGH NOT PRESENTLY ENGAGED IN THE ISTANBUL SERVICE, MAY SEND A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORING POSSIBLE ENTRY INTO THE MARKET.

3. ANTICIPATING SOME ACTION BY THY TO FORCE REINSTITUTION OF ROYALTY PAYMENTS, BRITISH CAA GROVES RECENTLY EXPLORED WITH MOF OFFICIALS THE POSSIBILITY OF LOWERING OR WAIVING LANDING FEES BEING CHARGED AT NUERENBURG FOR THE REQUIRED TECHNICAL STOP EN ROUTE. HE HOPED IN THIS WAY TO SOMEWHAT OFF-SET THE COST TO DANAIR AND LAKER IF THEY ARE FORCED TO RESUME ROYALTY PAYMENTS. THE MOF AGREED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE FMT BUT REMINDED GROVES THAT THE LATTER MINISTRY HAD PREVIOUSLY OPPOSED GRANTING THE ALLIED CARRIERS RELIEF AT NUERENBURG. GROVES HAS RECEIVED NO REPLY TO HIS APPROACH.

4. BRITISH CALEDONIAN AIRWAYS RECENTLY SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO THE BRITISH CAA FOR PERMISSION TO OPERATE TURKISH WORKER CHARTERS ON A DAILY BASIS - TEGEL-ISTANBUL-TEGEL. HE IS AWAITING COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION BEFORE SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION TO ALLIED CAA'S.
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